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**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

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As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that: My residence, post-office address, and citizenship are as stated next to my name,

I believe that I am the original, first, and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

**METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR THE PROCESSING OF MEAT**

the specification of which was filed 14 March 2001 as application 09/808,398.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 USC 120 of the United States Application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States Application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 USC 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Serial Number	Filing Date	Status
60/189,667	15 March 2000	Pending

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